

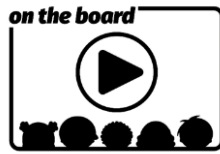
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Transcript – Coronation Day

Learn all about this historical tradition as we get ready for the Coronation of King Charles III.

Oh hi!

I'm just getting ready for a party.

A really big party.

It's a huge celebration because we're about to crown a new king.

Not only a new king of the United Kingdom, but he'll also be head of all these Commonwealth Realms as well.

So this is a pretty big deal for a lot of people around the world.

Pretty amazing, huh?

The ceremony will take place here at Westminster Abbey in London on May the 6th.

This has been Britain's coronation church for nearly 1000 years. And there has been more kings and queens crowned there than you might think.

In 1066, nearly 1000 years ago William the Conqueror was crowned King of England on Christmas Day. That's not a bad Christmas present.

Since then there have been over 40 other monarchs, including three more Williams and six Georges.

Seven Edwards and eight Henrys, among many others. And, of course all the queens we've had as well including our last monarch Her Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth II, who died in September 2022.

It is her son and heir, Prince Charles, who has become our new King.

Although he was named King after his mother died. It is his coronation that we will be celebrating. This is the day when he is officially crowned King and his wife Camilla will be crowned Queen Consort.

I wonder what it will be like?

The new King takes a Coronation Oath – a promise to do a good job.

Then he sits on King Edward's chair, which is 700 years old.

The person in charge of the Coronation is the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The King will be given the Coronation Ring, the Sovereign Sceptre and the Royal Orb.

This reminds him that he is the Head of the Church of England.

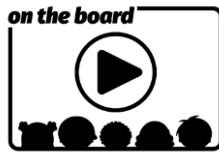
This reminds the King of his power.

And this reminds the King that his power comes from God.

Finally, St Edward's Crown is placed upon his head.

The crown is too heavy to wear for too long. So it is taken back to the Tower of London.





He will wear the Imperial State Crown back to Buckingham Palace in this 250 year old coach.

And he will wave to us as our newly appointed monarch King Charles III.

Now don't forget it'll be God Save the King in our national anthem instead of God Save Our Queen.

King Charles III's face will start to appear on money and stamps.

The Coronation Big Lunch happens the next day and everyone is invited to celebrate by having street parties with their neighbours.

And in the UK, people have been given the day off school and work on Monday the 8th of May to take part in the Big Help Out.

The new King wants everyone to help one another by volunteering.

This could be anything from posting a letter for an elderly person to picking up litter.

Volunteering not only helps others, but it can make you feel good too.

As well as looking after our friends and neighbours, King Charles III thinks it's really important for everyone to look after our natural world.

One of the things he has worked hard to protect is the rainforest and as a thank you a scientist named a newly discovered frog after him.

Meet the Prince Charles Stream Tree Frog.

For most of us the crowning of King Charles III will be our first coronation, as the last one was 70 years ago.

You can celebrate this historic event by making flags or paper crowns or by joining street parties or helping others out.

Whatever you choose to do - Happy Coronation Day!